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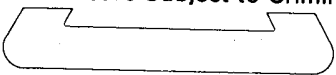
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**PROBABLE SILO UNLOADING  
TYURATAM ICBM LAUNCH TEST SITE S5, USSR**

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1. (S/D) **SIGNIFICANCE:** A PROBABLE SILO UNLOADING OPERATION IS IN PROGRESS AT TYURATAM ICBM LAUNCH TEST SITE S5, SUGGESTING THAT A POSSIBLE SYSTEM MALFUNCTION HAS OCCURRED AT THIS SS-19-ASSOCIATED SILO.

2. (S/D) **REMARKS:** A SILO LOADER, WITH ERECTING MECHANISM RAISED, IS BACKED UP TO THE OPEN SILO. A MISSILE TRANSPORTER IS POSITIONED TO HANDLE A MISSILE TRANSFER OPERATION ON THE SILO APRON. THE MAZ-543 TRANSPORTER THAT WAS PRESENT ON [REDACTED] HAS DEPARTED, SUGGESTING THAT THE UPPER CANISTER HAS BEEN UNLOADED.

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(S/D) A HIGH LEVEL OF ACTIVITY, INDICATING AN IMPENDING SS-19 TEST LAUNCH, HAS BEEN OBSERVED AT THIS SITE SINCE [REDACTED] AN UNUSUAL MISSILE TRANSFER OPERATION WAS IN PROGRESS ON [REDACTED] A MISSILE TRANSPORTER AND A SILO LOADER WERE TRANSFERRING AN SS-19 MISSILE CANISTER; HOWEVER, BOTH VEHICLES WERE OFF TO ONE SIDE OF THE SILO. NORMALLY, SS-19 MISSILE TRANSFERS OCCUR OVER THE SILO.

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(S/D) [REDACTED] A PAYLOAD OPERATION WAS IN PROGRESS. A TYPE IV WARHEAD VAN WAS NEAR THE OPEN SILO AND A TRUCK-MOUNTED CRANE WAS WORKING OVER THE SILO APERTURE.

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(S/D) PRELAUNCH ACTIVITIES IDENTIFIED [REDACTED] WERE PROBABLY PREPARATIONS TO UNLOAD THE SILO. A MAZ-543 TRANSPORTER WAS PARKED NEAR THE OPEN SILO. THE SILO APPEARED TO BE LOADED AND A PAYLOAD-ASSOCIATED TRANSPORTER (PAT) WAS AT THE END OF THE SILO APRON. THE PAT, WHICH IS USED TO TRANSPORT THE POST-BOOST VEHICLE TO THE LAUNCH SILO, WOULD USUALLY NOT BE PRESENT AT THIS STAGE OF LAUNCH PREPARATIONS.

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3. [REDACTED] COORDINATES 46-02-11N 063-02-51E

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